

1 modem? That is, like when you were talking about the sabotage
2 theory you were talking about dialing up the terminal. Do you
3 know whether that could be done into the Huntington terminal
4 in August of 1991?

5 A No, I, I don't know. Are you talking about dialing
6 up to program into a Huntington terminal?

7 Q Yes, or to, to look at the test function, for
8 example. If you remember the testimony, the engineers
9 testified that someone had dialed Huntington by modem to, to
10 have a look at the test --

11 A Okay. Then if, that's what they said then there
12 would be an, an ability to do that from the Charleston office.
13 And you have to realize that this programming that keeps on --
14 is so simple to do. You know, it's, it's -- once again I hate
15 to keep using other people's terms -- but I liked it. The
16 lower echelon -- this is not a computer science type thing or
17 I couldn't do it. It's just like one-finger type. It's not
18 typing, it's not entering codes and it's yes, no, one, two.
19 It's quite simple on, on that dial-up. So, if you could
20 dial up from Charleston to get into the modem, anyone could
21 program it. Yes, ma'am.

22 Q Okay. You were talking about a sabotage theory
23 earlier. You started talking about it yesterday, I believe.
24 Now, if you could dial up the terminal from Charleston, you
25 could dial up the terminal in Huntington, why would it have

1 | been necessary for Rusty Harrison's secretary to call
2 | Charleston to turn off the test paging function?

3 | A If it was capable, if it was possible, I wouldn't
4 | see any need for it. I don't know if it was or not at that
5 | time. As I say, today we have a dataline, okay? And I can't
6 | commit to something and answer something, ma'am, I really
7 | don't know because I don't know how it was done at that time.
8 | You know, Mr. Harrison would have known more about that.
9 | That's his office. I don't --

10 | Q So, when you were describing the sabotage theory
11 | here, that's -- that description is for your present system
12 | that you have now, not necessarily what you had in 1991?

13 | A No, no, that's not correct either. The, the central
14 | location that would have done the programming for Huntington,
15 | if you will -- with me for a minute, is Charleston, it always
16 | has been. Once we put in the new computer system, the SCI,
17 | and put the data work in, Huntington can now do their own
18 | programming where they could never do that before. It all was
19 | done in the home -- it was like -- it was set up basically,
20 | and this is one point I agree with, with RAM Paging, is that
21 | they have two people that do it, two low-level employees that,
22 | that do the programming for all their sites. See, all their
23 | sites call in to Ashland, Kentucky, at least that's how I
24 | understood him to stay, okay? We had all of our locations
25 | calling in to the Charleston facility to do it until we put in

1 the SCI equipment with the networking.

2 Q So --

3 A And Huntington is the only office that can do their
4 own programming now. Everything else can still go through
5 Charleston. But Charleston is still able to program for
6 Huntington. Huntington can't program Charleston.

7 Q Okay. Now, you indicated when you were talking
8 about your, your theory or possible sabotage that someone
9 could just telephone -- patch in to the terminal by telephone.

10 A I didn't say patch in to the terminal, man. They
11 can patch in to the computer by a dial-up phone line.
12 That's -- absolutely no problem.

13 Q So, couldn't Mr. Harrison's secretary in Huntington
14 dial up the computer in Charleston and turn off the auto-test
15 function without having to call someone to do it in
16 Charleston?

17 A I wouldn't see why not if she knew the modem line
18 number. But you have to realize she worked in Huntington.
19 She had no reason to know the modem line number in Charleston.

20 Q Okay. Now, in order to set up this system that you
21 described, this -- you know, when we were talking about the
22 sabotage theory, and I understand that you, you described it
23 as a theory. The saboteur would have to know the numbers for
24 the pagers that are actually out on the field, wouldn't they,
25 before they could set up the chaining?

1 A No. No. I mean -- no. They would have to know a
2 number, but not every number that's out in the field. I mean,
3 we have in excess of 10,000 numbers in our system and our, our
4 numbers operate the same as, as any other paging company. You
5 get blocks of numbers. 2,000, 3,000, you know. 2,000 -- you
6 know, my pager number is 2000, okay? Starting at 2000, all
7 the way up to 2999 may be our block of numbers. All they'd
8 need to know is one number in Capitol Paging, one pager
9 number. Somebody that's got a Capitol Paging number, that
10 could be 2000, well, they, they can just go on from there.
11 And that's the way all paging -- we, we purchase numbers in
12 blocks of minimum of 100.

13 Q Now, in your testimony you indicated that you did,
14 that you did a lot of testing of your link frequency.

15 A Yes.

16 Q And you, and you described some of the problems you
17 had with the link frequency. And was the testing that you
18 were doing in 1991 connected to that link-frequency problem?

19 A If I can refer to, to all the licensing I think I
20 can answer that exactly rather than guess. Because it refers
21 -- all testing refers to your link frequency or your range
22 because if your link is working your, your transmitter -- if
23 your link is not working, your transmitter is not working.
24 Once you finally get a link working, then the transmitter is
25 working and you must find the range, but there are steps you

1 must follow. So, we went through and coordinated through
2 NABER three or four links. So, whether it was a link testing
3 in '91 or range -- and when we got one link that worked then
4 we'd start on the range and the link would quit and we'd have
5 to get another link. And it was just a -- it was an evil
6 cycle.

7 Q So, when you say you were testing for range, that's
8 the same as testing for coverage?

9 A Yes, ma'am. I'm sorry.

10 Q And you were doing that also at the same time?

11 A Well, maybe, maybe I didn't explain it well. First
12 of all, you get a link frequency and hopefully it's, it's a
13 good one and it's clean. And so you can really do your
14 testing for both things at one time, ma'am, okay? Because if
15 you're getting your pages you know your link is working, okay?
16 So, then once you're, you're sure that it's dependable -- that
17 you're getting most of your pages and it's dependable, then
18 you can start shooting for range.

19 Q Was your link frequency working by August of 1991
20 when the FCC inspection took place?

21 A I don't even know if we had the final link. If we
22 look at the license we'll see if we had -- when our final link
23 was. On the last link frequency it finally started to be 99
24 percent good.

25 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Is there, is there an exhibit

1 showing the licenses?

2 MR. HARDMAN: Yes, Your Honor.

3 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Why don't we use that to refresh
4 the witness's recollection instead of guessing the time?

5 MR. JOYCE: It's behind --

6 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Why don't you use this as a frame
7 of reference in answering the question.

8 MR. RAYMOND: I believe as you'll see, on 7/23/92,
9 was our last link frequency, if I am correct. And that was
10 the frequency that seemed to work. As of 4/4/91, the link
11 frequency was not a good frequency. Not a clean link
12 frequency.

13 BY MS. LADEN:

14 Q So, is it your testimony that in August of '91 when
15 the engineers did the inspection there were still problems
16 with the link frequency?

17 A Well, if this license is 4/4/91, I would say yes,
18 ma'am. Because we had to change once again.

19 Q Okay.

20 A Matter of fact -- I'm sorry. Matter of fact, we
21 changed twice again after they were there.

22 JUDGE CHACHKIN: What page --

23 MR. RAYMOND: On page four on 7/19 of '91 we went to
24 460.7250. And then our last one, Your Honor, I believe if I
25 read this right would page six which was 7/23/92 with a

1 frequency of 460.72500.

2 BY MS. LADEN:

3 Q Now, Mr. Raymond, isn't that frequency, 240.72500,
4 the same frequency that's on page --

5 A You are correct?

6 Q -- four?

7 A If you look -- I'm sorry, and I agree with you. If
8 you look, we had to change our control point. The, the, the
9 distance from the Nease Drive site to the Kenova site, or the
10 Rotary Park site, either one, was too long a haul. It kept
11 getting knocked down. That is why we changed it to the Russell
12 Road on 7/23/92, St. Albans, which made it closer to those
13 sites. So it, it actually made a stop and then we transmit it
14 once again to make it get there.

15 Q Now --

16 A We did not do anything until we got our license.

17 Q When you first started out you indicate in your
18 testimony that your link frequency had a local community
19 repeater licensee on it. Is that correct?

20 A We -- yes. We had several people, whether they were
21 licensed or not I don't know. We just know that the repeaters
22 kept coming up and they, they -- whether they were close
23 enough to that band possibly to even knock them down. We had
24 a tremendous amount of problems. And as I remember, one was
25 Putnam County or something, I think I had talked about

1 earlier, but that we'd got the same frequency.

2 Q Did you pick those frequencies or --

3 A Well, I guess I'll just have to say how it is. I
4 complained to NABER about that. I complained to a lot of
5 people about that because they were supposedly coordinating
6 these. And we kept sending them money and they said, well,
7 this one's clean. We would put it in and it wouldn't be
8 clean. And it was just -- in my opinion it's a roll of the
9 dice on whether you're going to get a clean one or not. Now,
10 maybe I did things backwards. But when I understand NABER is
11 a coordinating unit, I assume they coordinated the frequency.

12 Q Did you have a telephone in your car?

13 A Yes, ma'am.

14 Q Do you have a portable phone in addition to the
15 telephone in your car?

16 A At that -- when -- now, today?

17 Q Let's say August of 1991.

18 A No.

19 Q Did you have a telephone in your car in August of
20 '91?

21 A Oh, yes, ma'am, I had a, had a telephone in my car.
22 Yes.

23 Q Did other people at Capitol have telephones in their
24 car in '91?

25 A Yes, ma'am. Portables and transportables.

1 Q Now, couldn't you do the test for coverage -- rather
2 than having the automatic test function, couldn't someone with
3 a telephone in their car place a page and test the coverage or
4 the range that way?

5 A Could people do that?

6 Q Yes.

7 A Sure, people could do that. Did we elect -- no, we,
8 we didn't elect to do it that way. Not everyone gets their
9 phones free. Some people have to pay 60-cents a minute in
10 Charleston, West Virginia for a peak period of time. And when
11 you use -- and if the page only takes three seconds or five
12 seconds, in West Virginia that's a minute's worth of time.
13 That would be 60 cents if you were paying for your phone.
14 That's a 60-cent page. Pretty expensive, wouldn't you think?

15 Q Now, if you had elected to every once in a while
16 when you're out in the car to place a page and to see how the
17 coverage is, would that not have taken up less air time than
18 having the auto-test function going?

19 A I really don't understand your question.

20 Q Well, the engineers testified that there was a
21 sequential tone that lasted for some period of time. They
22 also testified that when there was traffic it tended to get
23 backed up. Wouldn't all of those problems been eliminated if
24 you had tested your range or your coverage or your link
25 frequency by placing pages every once in a while when you're

1 out in the car over the car phone?

2 A Well, quite to the contrary of how you're explaining
3 it. Not as many pages may have gone out, but they would have
4 still backed up and been those long sequentials of tones what
5 they're talking about because our inhibitor was working. And
6 by those long tones, three and four or whatever they said, and
7 it would wait, it would have still backed up. Whether it was
8 made from a car or, or a computer is immaterial. Now, there
9 might not have been as many sent if you were dialing them up
10 as from the computer because we may have not sent them exactly
11 every minute from a telephone. It could have been a minute
12 and a half or whatever, or, or, or five minutes. I mean,
13 whatever you would dial it. But, but what you're saying is
14 wrong.

15 Q Okay. Now, you recall of course when the engineers
16 came to do their inspection in August '91?

17 A Yes, ma'am.

18 Q Do you recall -- were you present at the time when
19 Mr. Bogert -- when -- were you the person who called
20 Commonwealth Paging --

21 A Yes, ma'am, I was.

22 Q -- to ask about the Morse code --

23 A Yes, I was.

24 Q And if you recall, you -- Mr. Bogert testified that
25 he got on the telephone with the people?

1 A Yes, ma'am.

2 Q And that's your recollection of how it was?

3 A Absolutely. He took the phone away from me.

4 Q Okay. Do you remember what he -- what if anything
5 he said to you after the telephone --

6 A "Must be set right."

7 Q Mr. Bogert never indicated to you that there was a
8 problem with the speed of the Morse code?

9 A I didn't say that. No, ma'am. He was talking about
10 the Morse code was too slow and I told him it was set from the
11 factory. He did indicate that it was too slow, yes, ma'am.
12 We called the factory. I was talking to him. He took the
13 phone away from me to talk to them. He was talking about the
14 dip switches and all this. And then in his testimony I heard
15 him say, "Well, the card could have been upside down or I
16 could have been looking at it wrong." There's only one way to
17 put the card in, you know? It's a channel card. It only goes
18 in one way. There ain't no upside down to it. So, it was set
19 properly from the factory. When he finished he hung up the
20 phone and he said, "It must be set right." That was it.

21 Q Now, at that point did you assume that the speed of
22 the Morse code was correct?

23 A I assumed that it was set right. That is the exact
24 words he used.

25 Q I understand. But did you assume from that

1 statement that the speed was fast enough?

2 A I assumed that it was set right. I don't read Morse
3 code. I don't know how slow it is. I don't know how fast it
4 is. His words were, "It must be set right."

5 Q Okay. Now, at this point you knew that the
6 Morse -- that they had measured the Morse code -- they had
7 actually timed the Morse code as being too slow. Is that
8 correct?

9 A He had said it was running slow. Yes, ma'am.

10 Q At any point after this discussion did you time or
11 have someone time the Morse code?

12 A No, ma'am. Because my last opinion was it must be
13 set right.

14 JUDGE CHACHKIN: You have much more?

15 MS. LADEN: I think about 15 or 20 minutes, Your
16 Honor.

17 JUDGE CHACHKIN: All right. The witness is going to
18 be -- he's not planning on going back is he?

19 MR. HARDMAN: He's here for the duration.

20 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Well, then we'll recess till 9:30
21 but we'll start with --

22 MR. JOYCE: We'll start with Mr. Peters.

23 JUDGE CHACHKIN: Mr. Peterson -- Peters, at 9:30
24 tomorrow, yes.

25 (Whereupon, off the record at 4:03 p.m., the hearing
was recessed, to be continued on February 8, 1994.)

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